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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-1201 and 3060-xxxx]

Information Collections Being Submitted for Review and Approval to the Office of

Management and Budget

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by

the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or

the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to

comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether

the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of

the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of

the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the

information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the

respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information

technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business

concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a

currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be

subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA

that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS

AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If you anticipate that

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you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB, via email Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov; and to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, (2) look for the section of the Web page called "Currently Under Review," (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the "Select Agency" box below the "Currently Under Review" heading, (4) select "Federal Communications Commission" from the list of agencies presented in the "Select Agency" box, (5) click the "Submit" button to the right of the "Select Agency" box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the OMB control number of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the

burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

OMB Control Number: 3060-1201.

Title: Video Relay Services, CG Docket Nos. 10-51 & 03-123.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Individuals or households; Not-for-profit

institutions.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 135,350 respondents; 2,395,180 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 minutes (.05 hours) to 300 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual, monthly, on-going, one-time, and quarterly reporting

requirements; Recordkeeping requirement, Third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this

information collection is section 225 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. 225. The law was

enacted on July 26, 1990, as Title IV of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA),

Public Law 101-336, 104 Stat. 327, 366-69.

Total Annual Burden: 473,809 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$41,000.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: Confidentiality is an issue to the extent that individuals and households provide personally identifiable information, which is covered under the FCC's

updated system of records notice (SORN), FCC/CGB-4, "Internet-based Telecommunications

Relay Service-User Registration Database (ITRS-URD)." As required by the Privacy Act, 5

U.S.C. 552a, the Commission also published a SORN, FCC/CGB-4 "Internet-based

Telecommunications Relay Service-User Registration Database (ITRS-URD)," in the Federal

Register on February 9, 2015 (80 FR 6963) which became effective on March 23, 2015.

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Privacy Impact Assessment: This information collection affects individuals or households. As required by the Office of Management and Budget Memorandum M-03-22 (September 26, 2003), the FCC is in the process of completing the Privacy Impact Assessment.

Needs and Uses: On June 10, 2013, the Commission released Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program et al., FCC 13-82, published at 78 FR 40582, July 5, 2013 (2013) VRS Reform Order), adopting further measures to improve the structure, efficiency, and quality of the video relay service (VRS) program, reducing the noted inefficiencies in the program, as well as reducing the risk of waste, fraud, and abuse, and ensuring that the program makes full use of advances in commercially-available technology. In this Order, the Commission (1) required reporting of unauthorized and unnecessary use of VRS; (2) required provider certification of annual compliance plans; (3) established a central telecommunications relay services (TRS) user registration database (TRS-URD) which incorporates a centralized eligibility verification requirement to ensure accurate registration and verification of users, as well as per-call validation, to achieve more effective prevention of waste, fraud, and abuse; (4) established procedures to prevent unauthorized changes of a user's default TRS provider; and (5) established procedures to protect TRS users' customer proprietary network information (CPNI) from disclosure. On March 23, 2017, the Commission released Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Services Program et al., FCC 17-26, published at 82 FR 17754, April 13, 2017, (2017 VRS Improvements Order), which among other things, (1) allows VRS providers to assign TRS Numbering Directory 10-digit telephone numbers to hearing individuals for the limited purpose of making point-to-point video calls, and (2) gives VRS providers the option to participate in an at-home call handling pilot program, subject to certain limitations, as well as recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

OMB Control Number: 3060-xxxx.

Title: Sections 1.9020(n), 1.9030(m), 1.9035(o), Community notification requirement for certain

contraband interdiction systems; Section 20.18(r), Contraband Interdiction System (CIS) requirement; Section 20.23(a), Good faith negotiations.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: New collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for profit entities and state, local or Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 26 respondents and 28 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 8-16 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement.

Obligation to Respond: There is no obligation to respond; response required to obtain benefits.

The statutory authority for this collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 152, 154(i), 154(j), 301,

302a, 303, 307, 308, 309, 310, and 332.

Total Annual Burden: 325 hours.

Annual Cost Burden: No cost.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality with this collection

of information.

Needs and Uses: On March 24, 2017, the Federal Communications Commission released a

Report and Order, Promoting Technological Solutions to Combat Contraband Wireless Devices

in Correctional Facilities, GN Docket No. 13-111, FCC 17-25 (Report and Order), in which the

Commission took important steps to help law enforcement combat the serious threats posed by

the illegal use of contraband wireless devices by inmates. Across the country, inmates have used

contraband devices to order hits, run drug operations, operate phone scams, and otherwise engage

in criminal activity that endangers prison employees, other inmates, and innocent members of the

public. In the Report and Order, the Commission streamlined the process of deploying contraband

wireless device interdiction systems—systems that use radio communications signals requiring

Commission authorization—in correctional facilities. The action will reduce the cost of deploying

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solutions and ensure that they can be deployed more quickly and efficiently. In particular, the Commission waived certain filing requirements and provided for immediate approval of the spectrum lease applications needed to operate these systems.

The effectiveness of Contraband Interdiction System (CIS) deployment requires all carriers in the relevant area of the correctional facility to execute a spectrum lease with the CIS provider. Even if the major Commercial Mobile Radio Services (CMRS) licensees negotiate expeditiously and in good faith, if one CMRS licensee in the area fails to engage in lease negotiations in a reasonable time frame or at all, the CIS solution will not be effective. The lack of cooperation of even a single wireless provider in a geographic area of a correctional facility can result in deployment of a system with insufficient spectral coverage, subject to abuse by inmates in possession of contraband wireless devices operating on frequencies not covered by a spectrum lease agreement. While some carriers have been cooperative, it is imperative that all CMRS licensees be required to engage in lease negotiations in good faith and in a timely fashion. Therefore, the Commission adopted a rule requiring that CMRS licensees negotiate in good faith with entities seeking to deploy a CIS in a correctional facility. If, after a 45 day period, there is no agreement, CIS providers seeking Special Temporary Authority (STA) to operate in the absence of CMRS licensee consent may file a request for STA with the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB), with a copy served at the same time on the CMRS licensee, accompanied by evidence demonstrating its good faith, and the unreasonableness of the CMRS licensee's actions, in negotiating an agreement. The CMRS licensee may then file a response with WTB, with a copy served on the CIS provider at that time, within 10 days of the filing of the STA request. The supplementary information provided along with the STA application by the CIS provider will be used by WTB to determine whether the CIS provider has negotiated in good faith, yet the CMRS licensee has not negotiated in good faith. The CMRS licensee may use the evidence accompanying the STA application to craft a response. WTB will analyze the evidence from the CIS providers and the CMRS licensee's response to determine whether to issue STA to the entity

seeking to deploy the CIS.

The Commission explored whether it should impose a requirement that the community in the vicinity of a correctional facility where a CIS is installed be notified of the installation. The Commission explained that a goal of the proceeding is to expedite the deployment of technological solutions to combat the use of contraband wireless devices, not to impose unnecessary barriers to CIS deployment. Consistent with that goal, the Commission found that a flexible and community-tailored notification requirement for certain CISs outweighed the minimal burden of notification and furthered the public interest. After careful consideration of the record, the Commission imposed a rule that, 10 days prior to deploying a CIS that prevents communications to or from mobile devices, a lessee must notify the community in which the correctional facility is located, and the Commission amended its spectrum leasing rules to reflect this requirement. The Commission agreed with commenters that support notification of the surrounding community due to the potential for accidental call blocking and the public safety issues involved. The information provided in the notification will put the houses and businesses in the surrounding community on notice that a CIS will be deployed in the vicinity that has the potential for accidental call blocking.

Acknowledging the importance of ensuring the availability of emergency 911 calls from correctional facilities, and the fact that delivering emergency calls to public safety answering points (PSAPs) facilitates public safety services and generally serves the public interest, the Commission amended its rules to require that CIS providers regulated as private mobile radio service (PMRS) must route all 911 calls to the local PSAP. That said, the Commission also acknowledged the important role state and local public safety officials play in the administration of the 911 system. Accordingly, although the CIS provider is required to pass through emergency 911 calls, the PSAPs can inform the CIS provider that they do not want to receive calls from a given correctional facility. By allowing the PSAPs to decline the emergency 911 calls, the Commission recognized the reported increased volume of PSAP harassment through repeated

inmate fraudulent 911 calls. The information provided by the PSAP or emergency authority will result in the CIS provider not passing through E911 calls from a particular correctional facility.

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